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present the evidence against the former employee and perform other functions incident to the proceedings.

- (f) A decision adverse to the former employee must be sustained by substantial evidence that he or she violated 18 U.S.C. 207 (a), (b) or (c).
- (g) The presiding officer shall issue an initial decision based exclusively on the transcript of testimony and exhibits, together with all papers and requests filed in the proceeding, and shall set forth in the decision findings and conclusions, supported by reasons, on the material issues of fact and law presented on the record.
- (h) Within 30 days after issuance of the initial decision, either party may appeal to the Chairman, who in that event shall issue the final decision based on the record of the proceedings or those portions thereof cited by the parties to limit the issues. If the final decision modifies or reverses the initial decision, the Chairman shall specify the findings of fact and conclusions of law that vary from those of the presiding officer.
- (i) If a former employee fails to appeal from an adverse initial decision within the prescribed period of time, the presiding officer shall forward the record of the proceedings to the Chairman.
- (j) In case of a former employee who filed an answer to the notice to show cause but did not request a hearing, the Chairman shall make the final decision on the record submitted by the Designated Ethics Officer pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.
 - (k) The Chairman, in a case where:
 - (1) The defense has been waived;
- (2) The former employee has failed to appeal from an adverse initial decision; or
- (3) The Chairman has issued a final decision that the former employee violated 18 U.S.C. 207 (a), (b) or (c) may issue an order:
- (i) Prohibiting the former employee from making on behalf of any person or party (other than the United States), any informal or formal appearance before, or, with the intent to influence, any oral or written communication to, the Commission on a pending matter of business for a period not to exceed five years, or

(ii) Prescribing other appropriate disciplinary action.

PART 501—SUBPOENAS, DEPOSITIONS, AND OATHS

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§ 501.1 Extent of authority.

- (a) Subpoenas, oaths and affirmations. The Commission or any member thereof may issue subpoenas, administer oaths and affirmations, take affidavits, conduct investigations and examine witnesses in connection with any hearing, examination, or investigation within its jurisdiction.
- (b) *Certification*. The Commission or any member thereof may, for the purpose of any such hearing, examination, or investigation, certify the correctness of any papers, documents, and other matters pertaining to the administration of any laws relating to the functions of the Commission.

§ 501.2 Subpoenas.

- (a) Issuance. A member of the Commission or a designated employee may, on such member or employee's own volition of upon written application by any party and upon a showing of general relevance and reasonable scope of the evidence sought, issue subpoenas requiring persons to appear and testify or to appear and produce documents. Applications for issuance of subpoenas duces tecum shall specify the books, records, correspondence, or other documents sought. The subpoena shall show on its face the name and address of the party at whose request the subpoena was issued.
- (b) Deposit for costs. The Commission or designated employee, before issuing

any subpoena in response to any application by an interested party, may require a deposit in an amount adequate to cover fees and mileage involved.

- (c) Motion to quash. If any person subpoenaed does not intend to comply with the subpoena, such person shall, within 15 days after the date of service of the subpoena, petition in writing to quash the subpoena. The basis for the motion must be stated in detail. Any party desiring to file an answer to a motion to quash must file such answer not later than 15 days after the filing of the motion. The Commission shall rule on the motion to quash, duly recognizing any answer thereto filed. The motion, answer, and any ruling thereon shall become part of the official record.
- (d) Appeal from interlocutory order. An appeal may be taken to the Commission by the interested parties from the denial of a motion to quash or from the refusal to issue a subpoena for the production of documentary evidence.
- (e) Order of court upon failure to comply. Upon the failure or refusal of any person to comply with a subpoena, the Commission may invoke the aid of the United States District Court within the jurisdiction of which the hearing, examination or investigation is being conducted, or wherein such person resides or transacts business. Such court, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 81-696, approved August 16, 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2001(d)), may issue an order requiring such person to appear at the designated place of hearing, examination or investigation, then and there to give or produce testimony or documentary evidence concerning the matter in question. Any failure to obey such an order may be punished by the court as a contempt thereof. All processes in any such case may be served in the judicial district wherein such person resides or transacts business or wherever such person may be found.

§ 501.3 Service of process.

- (a) By whom served. The Commission shall serve all orders, notices and other papers issued by it, together with any other papers which it is required by law to serve.
- (b) Kinds of service. Subpoenas, orders, rulings, and other processes of the Commission may be served by deliv-

- ering in person, by first class or registered mail, or by telegraph or by publication.
- (c) *Personal service*. Service by delivering in person may be accomplished by:
- (1) Delivering a copy of the document to the person to be served, to a member of the partnership to be served, to an executive officer or a director of the corporation to be served, or to a person competent to accept service; or
- (2) By leaving a copy thereof at the residence, principal office or place of business of such person, partnership, or corporation.
- (3) Proof of service. The return receipt for said order, other process or supporting papers, or the verification by the person serving, setting forth the manner of said service, shall be proof of the service of the document.
- (4) Service upon attorney or agent. When any party has appeared by an authorized attorney or agent, service upon such attorney or agent shall be deemed service upon the party.
- (d) Service by first class mail. Service by first class mail shall be regarded as complete upon deposit in the United States mail properly stamped and addressed.
- (e) Service by registered mail. Service by registered mail shall be regarded as complete on the date the return post office registered receipt for said orders, notices and other papers is received by the Commission.
- (f) Service by telegraph. Service by telegraph shall be regarded as complete when deposited with a telegraph company properly addressed and with charges prepaid.
- (g) Service by publication. Service by publication is completed when due notice shall have been given in the publication for the time and in the manner provided by law or rule.
- (h) *Date of service*. The date of service shall be the day upon which the document is deposited in the United States mail or delivered in person, as the case may be.
- (i) Filing with Commission. Papers required to be filed with the agency shall be deemed filed upon actual receipt by the Commission accompanied by proof of service upon parties required to be served. Upon such actual receipt the